

BECK DEFEATED AT ST. LOUIS

Killed 94 Birds Out of 100, While Mead, His Opponent, Had 97 to His Credit.

The Indianapolis Man's Pigeons Were the Hardest to Kill—Yesterday's Ball Games—Standing of the Clubs—Turf Events.

THE BECK-MEAD SHOOT.

Indiana's Champion Defeated at 100 Live Pigeons by a Score of 94 to 97.

St. Louis, July 12.—This afternoon, at Brotherhood Park, George C. Beck, of Indianapolis, was defeated by J. L. Mead, of this city, in live-bird shooting-match. The score was 94 to 97.

The contestants are two of the best wing shots in the country, and Mr. Beck has twice defeated Fred Erb, of Lawrence, Ind., this year for the cup offered by the American Field Club. Mead is one of the best match-shooters in the country when in condition. The match was for \$100 a side at one hundred live pigeons, American Field club rules to govern. A large number of onlookers attended. J. A. R. Elliott, of Kansas City, acted as referee. Mr. Beck had by far the hardest lot of birds, they averaging 35 per cent. harder than those allotted to Mr. Mead. The latter used his second barrel thirty times, missing the sixty-first, eighty-fourth and ninety-first birds. Mr. Beck used his second barrel twenty-two times, and missed the ninth, twenty-seventh, thirty-first, thirty-third and thirty-sixth birds. Score:

	Beck	Mead
1st barrel	11111	11111
2nd barrel	11111	11111
3rd barrel	11111	11111
4th barrel	11111	11111
5th barrel	11111	11111
6th barrel	11111	11111
7th barrel	11111	11111
8th barrel	11111	11111
9th barrel	11111	11111
10th barrel	11111	11111
11th barrel	11111	11111
12th barrel	11111	11111
13th barrel	11111	11111
14th barrel	11111	11111
15th barrel	11111	11111
16th barrel	11111	11111
17th barrel	11111	11111
18th barrel	11111	11111
19th barrel	11111	11111
20th barrel	11111	11111
21st barrel	11111	11111
22nd barrel	11111	11111
23rd barrel	11111	11111
24th barrel	11111	11111
25th barrel	11111	11111
26th barrel	11111	11111
27th barrel	11111	11111
28th barrel	11111	11111
29th barrel	11111	11111
30th barrel	11111	11111
31st barrel	11111	11111
32nd barrel	11111	11111
33rd barrel	11111	11111
34th barrel	11111	11111
35th barrel	11111	11111
36th barrel	11111	11111
37th barrel	11111	11111
38th barrel	11111	11111
39th barrel	11111	11111
40th barrel	11111	11111
41st barrel	11111	11111
42nd barrel	11111	11111
43rd barrel	11111	11111
44th barrel	11111	11111
45th barrel	11111	11111
46th barrel	11111	11111
47th barrel	11111	11111
48th barrel	11111	11111
49th barrel	11111	11111
50th barrel	11111	11111
51st barrel	11111	11111
52nd barrel	11111	11111
53rd barrel	11111	11111
54th barrel	11111	11111
55th barrel	11111	11111
56th barrel	11111	11111
57th barrel	11111	11111
58th barrel	11111	11111
59th barrel	11111	11111
60th barrel	11111	11111
61st barrel	11111	11111
62nd barrel	11111	11111
63rd barrel	11111	11111
64th barrel	11111	11111
65th barrel	11111	11111
66th barrel	11111	11111
67th barrel	11111	11111
68th barrel	11111	11111
69th barrel	11111	11111
70th barrel	11111	11111
71st barrel	11111	11111
72nd barrel	11111	11111
73rd barrel	11111	11111
74th barrel	11111	11111
75th barrel	11111	11111
76th barrel	11111	11111
77th barrel	11111	11111
78th barrel	11111	11111
79th barrel	11111	11111
80th barrel	11111	11111
81st barrel	11111	11111
82nd barrel	11111	11111
83rd barrel	11111	11111
84th barrel	11111	11111
85th barrel	11111	11111
86th barrel	11111	11111
87th barrel	11111	11111
88th barrel	11111	11111
89th barrel	11111	11111
90th barrel	11111	11111
91st barrel	11111	11111
92nd barrel	11111	11111
93rd barrel	11111	11111
94th barrel	11111	11111
95th barrel	11111	11111
96th barrel	11111	11111
97th barrel	11111	11111
98th barrel	11111	11111
99th barrel	11111	11111
100th barrel	11111	11111

In spite of the fact that he was defeated, George Beck did some wonderful work with the gun at St. Louis yesterday. His run of 61 being one of the best on record in a live-bird shoot. His opponent, Jack Winston, known as "Mead" lives at Washington, Ind., and travels for a St. Louis pottery house. Yesterday's defeat is the third Beck has sustained at his hands, the first being in a blue-rock match here two years ago.

LAST WEEK'S WORK OF BALL CLUBS.

The League Getting Much the Best of the Brotherhood in Point of Attendance.

It has been a great week for the League, the aggregate attendance having been double that of the Brotherhood, whose organs are painfully silent on the subject. Earlier in the season, when the Brotherhood clubs were outwarring the League, these papers couldn't dilate at sufficient length on the fact; but now that the shoe is on the other foot they have nothing to say. The Brotherhood attendance has fallen off rapidly and heavily. At Boston, which was regarded as the strongest city of the new organization, the League games are drawing four and five times as many people. At Brooklyn the difference in the crowds is still greater, and while the Brotherhood game there yesterday drew only six hundred people, the League had over six thousand. At Philadelphia it is the same story, the League playing to more than double the Brotherhood attendance. At New York probably because of the weak attraction—Pittsburgh—the League people had more of it. The Brotherhood outdrew them largely. It looks very much as though the Brotherhood had struck the League and that the latter's organization was about to reap its reward. The fight for the League pennant continues so hot that it is anybody's guess as yet, but the odds are in favor of New York, Cleveland and Pittsburgh. Alas that proud New York should be classed with the two last-named teams. The Meridians intend getting into the race they must be doing so pretty soon or it will be too late. It has been a disastrous week for the Cincinnati, who have lost three of their last six and dropped the lead. Brooklyn is now in front, with Philadelphia pushing Cincinnati hard for second place. Boston is a strong fourth, while Chicago is still in it. Boston retains the advantage in the Brotherhood race, and the week's results have increased her lead and pretty well scattered the other clubs. Pittsburgh isn't likely to cut much of a figure from now on, but the clubs ahead of her are all in the race. The standing of the clubs is as follows:

League	Won	Lost	Per Cent.
Brooklyn	44	2	.955
Cincinnati	42	25	.627
Philadelphia	43	26	.623
Chicago	38	32	.545
New York	35	30	.538
Cleveland	29	40	.423
Pittsburgh	16	51	.239

Good Playing at Athletic Park.

The fact that the Meridians led the News a few points, and that the rivalry between the two teams was at fever heat, drew five hundred people to Y. M. C. A. Park yesterday afternoon. They saw a good, hard-hitting game, but not an exciting one, for the Meridians went to pieces in the first inning, and the result was never in doubt. The defeated team changed pitchers frequently, but the News managed to hit them all rather freely. In addition, the victors played a good second game, and the Meridians were ragged by their work. Score:

News	3	1	0	3	0	3	13
Meridians	0	2	1	0	1	0	4

News: 13 Meridians: 4. Errors—News, 1; Meridians, 7. Two-base hits—Spotts, Bingham. Base hits—Bing, Minor, Hines, Hines, Bingham, Landis. Bases on balls—News, 5; Meridians, 1. Passed balls—Adams, 3; Minor, 4. Strikeouts—News, 11; Meridians, 12. Batteries—Schwabacher and Adams; Spotts, Madden, Adams and Minor.

The News now leads the Y. M. C. A. race with ten games won, three lost and a percentage of .767. The Meridians have won nine, lost three, and have a percentage of .750. The Remingtons have won five and lost eight, while the Excelsiors have lost eleven out of twelve games.

The Remingtons had no trouble whatever in defeating the Excelsiors by the following score:

Remingtons	5	3	0	2	2	1	18
Excelsiors	0	3	0	1	0	5	9

Batteries—Reville and Sturm; Russell, Browder and Nichols.

Fort Wayne Defeated by Anderson. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

Fort Wayne, July 12.—Wiswell's phenomenal one-handed catch in the ninth inning, when the bases were full and two men out, won to-day's game for Anderson. Both clubs played good ball. Fort Wayne's best and much-advertised catch battery will arrive Monday. Score:

Fort Wayne	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Anderson	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	5

Batteries—Anderson, 5; Batteries—Caldwell and Brandenberg; Rogers and Knatz. Umpire—Reeson.

Ryans Again Defeated. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

Pendleton, Ind., July 12.—The Ryans, of Indianapolis, received their second defeat by the Pendleton club this afternoon. The score:

Pendleton	1	0	0	0	2	3	0	11
Ryans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Batteries—Pendleton, 10; Ryans, 6. Strikeouts—By Pendleton, 10; by Ryans, 12. Batteries—Pendleton, Ireland and Cook; Ryans, Rhodes and Zayak.

Interstate League.

At Peoria.

Peoria 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

Evansville 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |